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| In re U.S. National Phase of International | ) |                        |
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| For: TELECOMMUNICATION OPTICAL             | ) |                        |
| CABLE FOR GAS PIPELINE                     | ) |                        |
| APPLICATION HAVING BUILT-IN                | ) |                        |
| LEAKAGE DETECTING DEVICE                   | ) |                        |

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2007, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, Applicants respectfully request that this application be reconsidered in light of the amendments and remarks below:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.